



PRESS BRIEFING

Distinguished Press Men and Women, Ladies and Gentlemen,

As Government Agent in the electoral process, I invited you all once again this Saturday, October 25, 2025, to inform on certain events that could seriously jeopardize the security of our nation at a time when we are gradually moving towards the proclamation of results of the President of the Republic of the October 12, 2025 elections.

Infact, on the night of 22 October 2025, three terrorists were arrested as they were trying to sneak a huge quantity of explosives into Garoua, obviously to carry out terrorist attacks under post electoral tensions masterminded by some irresponsible political leaders. Their planned modus operandi is to infiltrate groups of protesters and commit terrorists attacks leading to loss of human lives which will later be attributed to the forces of Law and Order.

Last Tuesday in Yaounde, during a street protest organised by a group of drugged individuals proclaiming the so-called victory of the self – acclaimed president, one of his representatives was arrested among the demonstrators with an automatic pistol, ammunition, and a large sum of money.

This individual of dubious morality could have opened fire on the crowd, so that such a heinous act should be falsely attributed to our security forces.

This strategy was recently proven during an illegal manifestation organised in Garoua last October 21 by sympathisers of the self-proclaimed President of the Republic. Notably, the case of the tragic death of Madam Zouhaira Hassana, teacher at the Poupomre Arabic primary school, which was maliciously attributed to the Forces of Law and Order by a bought-over media of the rebellious movement, whereas the father of the deceased clearly stated that she had been savagely assassinated by a civilian.

A criminal investigation has been opened by the relevant authorities to shed light on this matter and identify the culprits.

As you may recall, during my previous press briefings, I insisted that there was a well-orchestrated plan to ignite an insurrection led by a political figure who, fully aware of his inability to win through democratic means, sought to seize power by street protests. Their strategy was straightforward: on the night of 12 October 2025, they intended to publish fake results on social media, declaring the opposition candidate as winner.

Recent events in our country have clearly confirmed the concerns we had raised. In the early hours of 14 October 2025, a candidate in the recent presidential election, after flooding social media with false or incomplete results, proceeded to unlawfully declare himself the winner of the election.

Acting on his promptings, his supporters organized a violent protest in several parts of the Country particularly in Dschang which led to the destruction of public infrastructure.

However, thanks to the professionalism of our security forces and administrative authorities, public order has been restored. Calm now prevails throughout the national territory.

I would like to emphasize that, in connection with this insurrectional movement, investigations have been opened and a number of people have already been arrested. Others are actively being hunted and will be held accountable for their actions before the competent courts.

Ladies and gentlemen,

As you all know, in the early 1990s, our country suffered the tragic consequences of rebellion with the advent of multiparty politics. Indeed, since 2016, the North-West and South-West regions have been facing, security crisis that continues to affect the populations of these regions, in addition to the attacks by Boko Haram in the Far North Region, whose disastrous effects are severe on the economic and social development of these regions in particular, and our nation in general.

Cameroon cannot therefore afford the luxury of a new security crisis, which would worsen the suffering of our compatriots and compromise the implementation of our country's development policy, as defined by the **HEAD OF STATE, His Excellency PAUL BIYA**. Calls for protests by certain politicians with an obsession for power undoubtedly create conditions for a security crisis.

As the Minister in charge of civil liberties, I would like to remind everyone that the right to protest is guaranteed by the laws and regulations in force in our nation. However, as in all democracies, the exercise of this freedom is regulated and subject to certain conditions, such as prior authorization from competent authorities, details of the purpose of the manifestation and the routes to be taken by protesters, and the identification of the organizers, in order to establish responsibility in the event of any misconduct. Consequently, any demonstration that does not comply with these requirements is illegal, and those who initiated it will be held accountable for their actions in accordance with the law.

I therefore call on parents to ensure the safety of their children and not allow them be manipulated or misled by certain corrupt, selfish, and irresponsible politicians. I urge the latter not to use our children to perpetrate their evil plans.

I call on our compatriots in the diaspora, to be more responsible and avoid as much as possible the propagation of false information.

I would like to encourage public opinion leaders, traditional rulers, religious authorities, and the various components of the nation, wherever they may be, to promote peace and stability in our country.

We know we can count on the democratic maturity of Cameroonians and their deep-rooted commitment to peace and living together, values so dear to the **PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, His Excellency PAUL BIYA**.

I take this opportunity to call upon media professionals to uphold their republican duty of informing, educating, and raising awareness among the population. They will certainly recall the destructive role played by the so-called "hate media" during the genocide that occurred in an East African country. Let it be clearly understood that any media outlet promoting insurrection, spreading hate speech or false information will face the full force of the law.

Cameroon is a State governed by the rule of law, and any dispute regarding the results of the election must be brought before the competent authorities, in strict compliance with the law. It should be clearly understood that being a presidential candidate does not, in any way, confer immunity upon anyone.

I wish to reassure the population that the State has taken all necessary measures to maintain order and to prevent any attempts to create disorder or destabilise our country. In any case, the law shall prevail.

I urge all Cameroonians to go about their daily activities as usual, while waiting, for the official proclamation of the presidential election results by the Constitutional Council, the only competent body to do so.

Thank you for your kind attention. Let us all be custodians of peace.

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Minister of Territorial Administration